

Please Amend the Claims as Follows:

Claim 1 (canceled).

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 8, wherein the sheet of iron or titanium material is provided with a chamfer on at least one side of the sheet prior to the application of the coating in the joining region; and wherein the length of the solder connection is at least three times the thickness of an un-chamfered portion of the sheet.

Claim 3 (previously presented): A method according to claim 8, wherein the seam formed by the filler is flattened by plastic deformation after the application of the filler.

Claim 4 (canceled).

Claim 5 (previously presented): A method according to claim 8, wherein the seam formed by the filler is covered by a corrosion protection layer on at least one surface of the sheets in the transitional region to the coated iron or titanium material sheet.

Claim 6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (currently amended): A method according to claim 10, wherein the seam formed by the filler is flattened prior to the common cold forming of the joined sheets.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A method of joining a sheet of aluminum material to a sheet of iron or titanium material, comprising the steps of

providing the sheet of iron or titanium material at least in a joining region with a coating containing zinc or aluminum,

joining the sheets in a butt-joint so that said sheets are in contact with each other and extend along a substantially similar plane, and

applying a filler on the basis of aluminum in a region bridging the butt-joint on both surfaces of the sheets and melting the filler to form a seam consisting of a welding connection with the aluminum material sheet and a soldering connection with the iron or titanium material sheet, wherein a length of the soldering connection extending from the butt-joint and along the iron or titanium sheet corresponds to at least three times a thickness of the iron or titanium sheet.

Claim 9 (previously presented): A method according to claim 8, wherein the sheets are butt-joined with one of the surfaces of the sheets lying in a common plane and, after the seam has been formed, the sheets are bent away from the common plane in the joining region.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A method for producing a workpiece of a cold-formed sheet blank of an aluminum material joined to a cold-formed sheet blank of an iron or titanium material, comprising the steps of

joining the sheet blanks in a butt-joint so that said sheets are in contact with each other and extend along a substantially similar plane,

applying a filler on the basis of aluminum in a region bridging the butt-joint on both surfaces of the sheet blanks and melting the filler to form a seam consisting of a welding connection with the aluminum material sheet blank and a soldering connection with the iron or titanium material sheet blank, the soldering connection having a length extending from the butt joint and along the iron or titanium sheet blank which corresponds to at least three times the thickness of the iron or titanium sheet blank, and

cold forming the joined sheet blanks with deformation of the connecting seam.